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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Box Patent Application  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to a first Office Action in the above-identified reissue patent application,  
please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1-32 and add new claims 40-69 as follows:

1. (Amended) A method of transferring a file from a client platform to a server platform, the server platform coupled to the client platform, [ a "DB2" relational database management system (RDBMS) executing on the server platform, ] the method comprising the steps of:

- (1) at the client platform, converting the file to a string;
- (2) at the client platform, causing a [ pointer in an input\_args ] first parameter to [ point to ] identify said string [ , said input\_args parameter being of a "sqllda" data type, said pointer being part of a "sqlvar" parameter defined by the sqllda data type, the sqllda data type